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## W. W. THAYER NEW ATTORNEY-GEN'L

### DEMOCRAT SUCCEEDS LINDSAY

Frear's Action Believed to  
Foretell Policy of Prepar-  
ing for Successor

Attorney Wade Warren Thayer, prominent lawyer and democrat and who has twice been in the race for the office of city and county attorney, this morning was appointed attorney-general of the territory, to succeed Alex. Lindsay, Jr., resigned. Lindsay will step out of office at midnight, December 31, and Thayer will become attorney-general at the same moment.

Attorney Thayer has been a practicing attorney in Honolulu for nearly twelve years, this being the first public office he has ever held, however. He came here as a newspaper man. Two years ago he was recommended by the Bar Association of Hawaii as second alternate for the supreme bench. He has been prominent in social and benevolent work.

"He has been highly recommended to me by a number of persons in whose judgment I have much confidence," said the Governor, "and I have known him a long time and favorably. I know he is a Democrat, but I am convinced he is the proper man for the job."

Mr. Thayer was born in Jackson, Mich., Sept. 18, 1873, and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1895 with the degree of A. B., and a year later from the law department with the degree of LL. B. After he had completed his college education he entered the newspaper business and was connected with the Salt Lake City Herald and Tribune, and later with the San Francisco Chronicle.

He came to Honolulu in June, 1900, and accepted a position on the staff of the Advertiser, from which he resigned the following October. He then took up the practice of law and was admitted to the bar. He has never held public office, although he was district magistrate of Honolulu during 1909 and 1910, and has been referee in bankruptcy since 1908. He ran for county attorney on the Democrat ticket in 1906 and 1910, but was defeated on both occasions.

As an attorney he is held in high regard, and his public welfare work has made him an authority of local sociological problems.

The naming of Mr. Thayer to succeed Lindsay was regarded today by those who knew of it as a significant move on the part of Governor Frear. Considerable speculation is indulged

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#### LOCAL DEMOCRATS AFTER FREAR'S SCALP

Cabled protest against the confirmation of Governor Frear, whose re-appointment was sent to the Senate two days ago by President Taft, will probably be sent to Washington within a short time by the Democratic Territorial central committee or Bourbon leaders here. The committee is more than likely to head the protest with its official sanction in case a meeting is held within a day or two. Several prominent Democrats here want this action to be taken, but the next meeting of the central committee is scheduled for next Monday, and there is some disposition not to wait until that time before calling a protest to the national capital. The protest will be sent to both Senate and House leaders on the Democratic side, according to present plans. It will be argued that if Frear is confirmed, it will be much harder for a Democratic governor to succeed him here next year than if his appointment goes unconfirmed. Local Democratic leaders say that although Frear is believed to be willing to retire, if he is re-appointed, there will undoubtedly be strong pressure to bear upon him, to stick to the job after Wilson becomes president.

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### TAXATION TANGLE TWISTS KINKS IN CITY'S FINANCE

Difference in the Interpretation  
of Law Sets Honolulu's Figure  
Sharks to Busy Wielding  
of the Pen—Territorial Auditor  
Explodes Shell Under  
Feet of County Fathers

Legal complications may cut down the total taxes due the city and county to such an extent that the "balance" which Supervisor Murray says is in the treasury, awaiting expenditure may go glimmering. The hitch has arisen over the interpretation of the tax law, which provides that the city and county shall receive two-thirds of one per cent of the taxes on the total assessed valuation. Deputy County Attorney Milverton said this morning that he holds the city and county is entitled to the full two-thirds, but the Territorial auditor is of another and different opinion. As a result the present board of supervisors is likely to meet with fresh difficulties to the intense delight of Eben Low and the corresponding disgust of Murray.

In an interview given to the Star Bulletin this morning Mr. Milverton said:

"The difference may mean a lot to the city and county. I have been informed that the tax rate has not been changed. If that is the case under my interpretation of the law we are entitled to our two-thirds of one per cent on the \$30,000,000 total valuation assessed by the tax office. The law, as we all know, provides that the city and county shall receive two-thirds of one per cent on the estimated valuation. In this case the estimated valuation is about \$75,000,000. When the actual assessment was made the amount reached \$30,000,000, say \$5,000,000 more than has been estimated. Now this would have given us a very neat little sum to slip round out the year. As a matter of fact, the Territorial auditor's office holds that we are not entitled to that sum. Furthermore, it holds that the city and county has no right to claim any part of the taxes paid by the three public service corporations here in town, the wire less department of the Mutual Telephone Company, the taxes paid by the Pacific Commercial Cable Company and the taxes paid by the Inter-Island Company, all of which

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### CHINESE BRUTE GETS LIFE; JURY OUT 3 MINUTES

After a trial that lasted only a day and a half, the fate of Hee Park, the Chinaman accused of raping two little girls, was determined in less than three minutes by the jury in Circuit Judge Robinson's court this morning. He was found guilty as charged, and ten minutes later was on his way to Oahu Prison, doomed to life imprisonment.

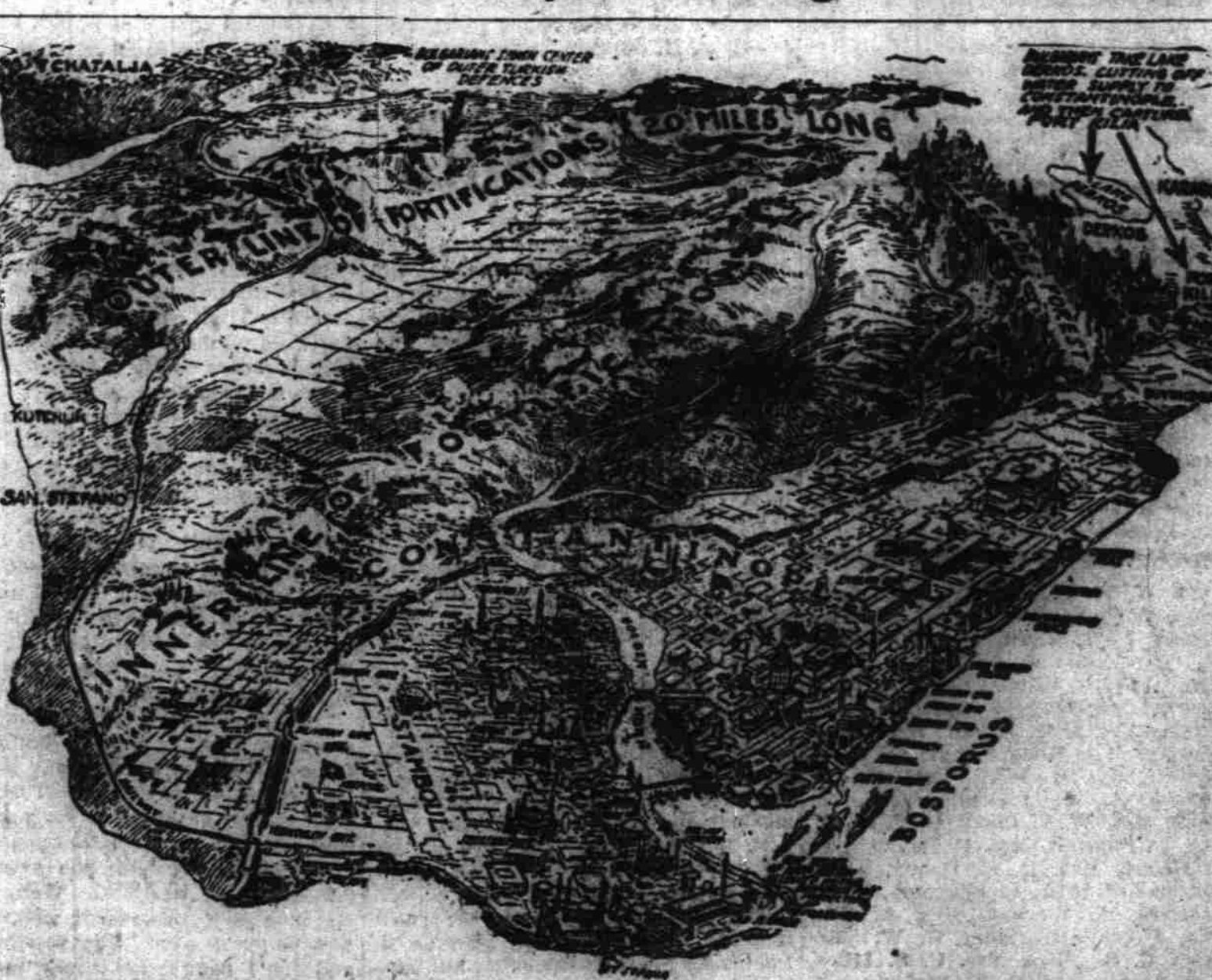
Sentence was pronounced upon him five minutes after the jury had returned its verdict and he excused. Five women of the crowd that filled the auditor's seats when he began yesterday morning remained throughout today's session, hearing the sentence passed on the prisoner before retiring.

Though they whispered among themselves as the attorneys presented their pleas to the jury, the ladies presented calm and impassive countenances, and heard the verdict and the sentence without betraying expression either by sign or word. Their presence was frequently referred to in the course of the trial, which was of unusually short duration for a case of that character.

His address to the jury at the close of the evidence, Attorney S. F. Olingworth expressed the hope that the jury would render its verdict on the evidence alone. He spoke only two or three minutes. Deputy City and County Attorney M. B. Brown reviewed the evidence briefly in his opening address, and in closing took occasion to denounce the morning newspaper's remarks relative to the case at hand. He said that the Advertiser, as usual where the City and County Attorney's office is concerned, garbled the facts. "I did not say yesterday, and I am not, opposed to the presence of these women in the courtroom during the

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### Map Showing How Allied Armies Surround Turkish Capital During The Armistice



Above is a war map of the country around Constantinople and below is a picture of the warlord, King Nicholas of Montenegro, who lit the Balkan blaze seen in the peaceful light of family affection, with his grandson, Prince Michael. In spite of the warlike character which he shares with his subjects, King Nicholas of Montenegro is no stranger to domestic sentiment. He is, in fact, very much a family man. He married in 1860 Milena Vucotitch, daughter of a Montenegrin Senator, and they have nine children surviving—three sons and six daughters. Another daughter, who died in 1890, was the wife of King Peter of Serbia. Of those living, one is the Queen of Italy.

### JAS. WILDER BUYS A FINE VALLEY SITE

James A. Wilder, artist and boy scout chief, has acquired a splendid piece of scenic land up Nuanu Valley, large enough for a baronial estate. It contains nine and one-half acres, is situated above the Afong place and commands a magnificent view of the Pallo on the one hand and the city, harbor and ocean on the other. The premises are two of the old homesteads in that locality, and consists of a strip 400 feet wide extending from the road to the top of the mountain on the Ewa side of the valley.

The purchase was effected through the agency of James W. Pratt, from H. Rahim, an East India gentleman living in Vancouver. Mr. Rahim bought the property when visiting Honolulu in 1909, and its sale to Mr. Wilder was for \$7000 net to the buyer. It is probable that the purchaser will erect a mansion or villa on the land befitting the scene and location, at least it may be expected to be artistic in every respect. Another important sale of city property was concluded today by Mr. Pratt, that of the Dayton homestead on Ulukouia street. This contains a little over one and one-half acres and has been bought by Mrs. Percy M. Post for \$7000 net to the seller, Mrs. Dayton.

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### TAFT'S MESSAGE HAS MANY SUGGESTIONS

President Urges Upon Congress Need  
For Adopting Plan For Re-organizing  
The Army, And The Promotion Of  
Colonel Goethals To Rank Of Major  
Gen.—Disapproves Suggested Amend-  
ments To The Sherman Anti-Trust  
Law

(Associated Press Cable)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 6.—President Taft's message to Congress today contained several unexpected suggestions and recommendations. Among them are recommendations for two battleships annually, and the suggestion that Colonel Goethals, in charge of the construction of the Panama canal, be elevated to the rank of major general.

Other recommendations are that Congress adopt the plan for the re-organization of the army as outlined by the War College. The president also asks that Congress confer upon Porto Rico the benefits of citizenship, but withhold that of statehood.

Mr. Taft disapproves strongly of the suggested amendment to the Sherman anti-trust law, but urges that steps be taken to provide autonomy for the Philippines in eight years' time.

### Will Revise Tariff, Underwood

(Associated Press Cable)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—In a statement given out this morning Oscar Underwood, Democratic representative from Alabama, declared that the Democrats are planning a complete revision of the tariff as speedily as possible. "We are going to revise the schedules from Agate to Zinc," said Mr. Underwood with a smile.

This statement is taken as an index of the determination of the house leaders to force through tariff legislation as speedily as possible, despite the fact that the Republican leaders in both house and senate persist in declaring that there will be tinkering with the tariff during the present session, owing to lack of time, and the pressure of important matters demanding immediate attention.

### Triple Alliance Warns Greece

(Associated Press Cable)

VIENNA, AUSTRIA, Dec. 6.—The Austrian and Italian ministers at Athens have forwarded a formal note to the Greek government protesting against the bombardment of the Albanian city of Avlona by the Greeks. The note further declares that Austria and Italy can not possibly consider the occupation of Avlona as permanent. This move is regarded as exceedingly important here, because it is taken as an indication of the continued solidarity of the triple alliance.

### Beet Sugar Men Are Organizing For Fight

BY C. S. ALBERT.

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 25.—"Sugar at a Glance" is the title of an illuminating publication issued as a senate document. It comprises 68 large pages, with 42 charts illustrating various phases of sugar production and consumption. It was prepared by Truman B. Palmer, representing the beet sugar producers. The publication as a document was made at the request of Senator Lodge. It is being sent broadcast under congressional frank to all sections of the country. The chief trend of the arguments advanced is covered by this sub-line: "Concerning national economy and the high cost of living as affected by the increased yield of other crops when grown in rotation with sugar beets."

The 42 charts contained in the pamphlet have also been trenched together in a huge map which is being sent to all desiring it. The entire document is devoted to furthering the interests of beet sugar and nothing is said to advance those of the cane growers. Copious extracts are given from the sugar speech delivered by Senator Lodge on July 27. Hawaii is credited with having produced 514,222 tons of sugar in 1910-11. This line occurs in comment on the chart giving "world production of cane sugar, 1910-11."

"The increase in cane sugar production since 1890 is more apparent than real." Hawaii is credited with sending 489,974 tons of sugar to the United States. The claim is made that the United States could produce sufficient beet sugar in one year to supply the entire world for two decades. It is asserted that 500,000 acres are now

planted in sugar beets, producing 600,000 tons of sugar annually. It is computed that it would be necessary to plant 1,671,000 acres to furnish sugar equal to that now purchased annually from foreign countries. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is then quoted thus: "We are therefore justified in saying that the total area having soil and climatic conditions adapted to the production of satisfactory sugar beets is at least 274,000,000 acres."

It is on this estimate of Secretary Wilson that the claim is based that enough sugar could be produced in this country from beets to keep the world supplied for 20 years. A chapter is devoted to "The blighting effect of Cuban reciprocity on the development of the American beet sugar industry." The extreme activity of those in charge of the beet sugar propaganda would indicate that the cane growers of Hawaii and Louisiana should say something in defense of their own interests. The near approach of an extraordinary session of congress, called to revise the tariff, including the duties on sugar, seems to make it imperative that cane sugar should have an equal chance with the beet product. As the situation exists Louisiana has two senators always ready to lift up their voices and say something in behalf of their constituents who produce cane sugar. Hawaii has no representative in the senate and must abide by whatever plea is advanced for the people of Louisiana.

Between ten and eleven thousand tons sugar will be supplied the American Hawaiian freighter Alaskan at the several island ports of call during her stay here. The vessel is scheduled to depart from Hilo for Bahia Cruz on or about December 20th.

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